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## **BY ECF**

The Honorable Victor Marrero United States District Judge Southern District of New York Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

> Re: United States v. Pablo Armando Valenzuela et al., 22 Cr. 633 (VM)

Dear Judge Marrero:

The Government respectfully requests that the time between today and the arraignment scheduled for December 2, 2022 be excluded pursuant to the provisions of the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A). The defendants were indicted on November 21, 2022, see ECF No. 8, and the Court has scheduled the arraignment and initial conference for December 2, 2022. While it is the Government's position that the Speedy Trial clock does not begin to run until the date the defendants are arraigned, out of an abundance of caution, the Government seeks the proposed exclusion between today and the date of arraignment. The Government respectfully submits that the ends of justice served by granting the proposed exclusion outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial, as the proposed exclusion will allow the Government time to assemble and produce discovery, the defendants time to review such discovery, and the parties an opportunity to discuss the possibility of pretrial resolutions of this case. Defense counsel for both defendants have informed the Government that they consent to this request.

Request GRANTED. It is hereby ordered that time from November 22 until December 2, 2022 shall be excluded from speedy trial calculations. This exclusion is designed to guarantee effectiveness of counsel and prevent any possible miscarriage of justice. The value of this exclusion outweighs the best interests of the Defendants and the public to a speedy trial. This order of exclusion of time is made pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(B)(i) & (iv).

SO ORDERED 29 November 2022

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